supreme court will give an answer to the question submitted by the governor. In that event the governor may renew his at-tempt to clean out the police department by

Speaking of the issue submitted to the upreme court, the governor said: "I feel supreme court, the governor said: "I feel that I am right, and I have no doubt the courts will do justice to the case. If I ever again call out troops to act in Denver, of one thing I am assured, that the force will be ough to do the work. If I have any doubt as to the power of the national guard to carry out the object for which it is summoned I will call upon the unorganized militia of the state to come to our assist-

A committee of safety has been organized with the following executive heard: Donald Fletcher, E. Monash, J. H. Brown, ex-Sheriff Michael Spangler and John D. McGilvey.

DETECTIVE VAUGHN'S TIP.

Went Gunning for Big Game but Got a

Small Bag. Somebody went to Detective James Henry Vaughn Saturday and gave him a tip. It was a very quiet tip, and its source was not to be made known to any one. The informant described to Vaughn where the detective department could cover itself with a glory that would shine as long as the stars in the firmament and cast a radiance on the name of Vaughn that would glitter

for generations to come. It was this: certain places within the corporate limits of the city of Omaha and contrary to all law and order and in violation of the ordinance promulgated by the city council, gambling was being carried on on the quiet. The informant then went on to tell where it was being done and how. Vaughn at once began to get things in readiness for the proper subjugation of this vice. The necessary course was pursued, and after as little delay as possible the detective caused complaints to be filed and then search warrants were procured.

The warrants were put in shape and the whole detective force was detailed to go special duty. They were all informed at roll call Saturday night that they would be required at the station at 10 o'clock on special duty.
At 19 o'clock sharp every detective was

there, and at 10:15 they all filed out, Vaughn at the helm. He was to guide them, come what might, and he did. After a few blocks were traversed one of the men made bold to ask what might be on hand. He was told he would soon see, and that at the present mo-ment silence was golden, for if it was known

what was on the birds would get away.

The warrants called for the rooms of the Tremain girls, on Tenth street, between Howard and Jackson, for the "Creole' assignation house, Thirteenth and Chicago and for a cigar store on Sixteenth street and for another at 1715 St. Mary's avenue, kept by Flabby and Sampson.

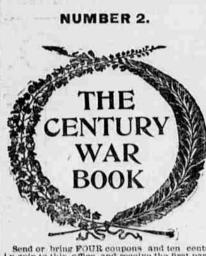
The rooms of the Tremain girls were prop-

erly searched, and if there was gambling there the parties got wind of the intended raid and shut everything up. The nearest approach to a gaming device was a small center table that was made to hold bouquets. "Creole" was then visited and searched from top to bottom. There was a table there with a cloth on it, but it was a tablecloth, and here again things fell through. Vaughn were a worried look and the detectives were about to drop from the trying ordeal when they were partly revived. The cigar store on St. Mary's avenue was still left. They went there armed to the teeth and at once proceeded to busi-Several were playing cards, were even playing for cigars, and to keep count better had some red chips, commonly called poker chips. The game was stopped, the chips seized with avidity and the search continued. An old table, worn with the moth of ages, was in the rear room. It bore some resemblance to a gaming table, and the two proprietors were arrested for running a gambling house and setting up

gaming devices. The cigar store on Sixteenth street was despoiled of some ten poker chips. The booty and prisoners were taken to the sta-

Calls Da Gama a Pirate. BUENOS AYRES, March 18 .- Advices received here from Rio are to the effect that Admiral da Gama and his officers will be conveyed to this port by t corvette Mindello. President Peixoto has ordered the Brazilian minister at Buenos Avres to demand that the government of the Argentine Republic consider Admiral da Gama as a pirate and not allow him to

Rev. Anderson Critically III. Rev. Anderson, associate editor of the Omaha Christian Advocate, is dangerously ill at his residence on Leavenworth street. His physician yesterday did not expect him to live twenty-four hours.



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RED CLOUD PEOPLE THE SUFFERERS

Most of the Loss Covered by Insurance and Well Distributed - Origin of the Fire a Mystery-Other State News.

RED CLOUD, Neb., March 18,-(Special Telegram to The Bee.)-The warehouse of Spanogle & Funk caught fire last night and was badly damaged. Loss, \$100; no insurance. The building was filled with agricultural machinery belonging to James Peterson and various wholesale houses. Peterson's loss is \$1,000; insurance, \$650. O. S. Kelly of Springfield, O. lost a steam threshing engine and separator valued at \$2,200; insurance, \$1,100. Nine binders were slightly damaged; insured for \$550. The insurance was all in the Niagara Falls Insurance company. The origin of the fire

During the progress of the fire the barn of S. F. Evans, a block away, caught fire and was burned. Loss, \$300; insurance, \$200, in the Home of New York.

Carefully Examined the Valley. FREMONT, March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The members of the board of supervisors have returned from their tour over the Platte bottom to view the lines of the proposed ditches. They were three days out with the county surveyor. The board will convene again on Wednesday, when the ditch question will be further discussed and possibly decided. The district convention of the Women's

Christian Temperance union will convene at this place Thursday with an excellent program, and the members here are making ample preparations to accommodate and entertain their guests.

Attorney Carey of this city delivered an address on "The Irish Question" at Platte Center yesterday. Chief Engineer Berry and some high offi-

cials of the Eikhorn road were looking over their grounds in the city yesterday ostensibly contemplating improvements in the near future. A more capacious round house is one important feature which they claim is imperative, since a great proportion of their engines are at present standing in the

A workman employed on the streets of the city yesterday found quite a quantity of silver coins under the sidewalk near the

Nye & Schneider office.

Renewed action has been taken toward the building of a Grand Army of the Repubhall and committees have been appointed to raise the finances. It has been suggested to dedicate it to the Grand Army as long as they need it and then consecrate it for a public library as a monument to the lives and virtues of those who saved the

The firemen's fair held during the past week has not been a financial success and it is reported that the boys have fallen considerably short of expenses.
It is understood that the projectors of the Fremont canal are in earnest and are well pleased with the estimate of expense of construction. They hope to be ready to com-

mence operations at an early day.

The Chicago parties who have the contract for putting in the heating aparatus of the new government building have been upon the ground and the work will soon be commenced, the material being expected any day. Farmers in the county are well along with their spring seeding and some are very busy plowing for corn. Winter wheat is looking finely and promises a great crop.

Delayed Caucus Reports. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The republicans met last evening in convention and nominated the following city ticket: Mayor, W. H. Keeling; city clerk, W. S. Leyda; treasurer, E. E. Metz; engineer, John Towle; police judge, Peter M. Halsey; school directors, W. E. Dorring ton and W. S. Korner; councilmen, First ward, A. W. Burchard; Second ward, Wilson Shock.

following resolution was unanimously The adopted: "Resolved, That we are unchangeably opposed to fusion, both from policy and principle, and the nominees of this convention are required to refuse a nomination from

any other party or from any entangling alliances with any faction."
TABLE ROCK, Neb., March 18.—(Special

to The Bee.)—The republican caucus met last evening and put the following nominations out for village trustees: William Sutton W. H. Andrews, O. D. Tibbets, N. A. Craig, FAIRBURY, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to

The Bee.)-At a caucus of the high license party, held Friday night, the following nominations were made: Mayor, John Gellatley; clerk, Jay McDowell; police judge, J. F. McCoy; aldermen, Robert Brock and Jeseph Butterbaugh. The candidates on both tickets are pledged to high license, so there is really no question involved in the election. ORD. Neb., March 18 .- (Special Telegram to The Bee.)-The license caucus last evening placed in nomination the following ticket: Mayor, A. M. Daniels; clerk, H. Gudmundsen; treasurer, Frank Miske; engineer, Perry L. Haworth; supervisor, Hans C. Sorensen; councilmen, First ward, H. C. Perry; Second, Detlef Houck; Third, John G. Sharpe and Frank Koupal.

Cedar Rapids Affairs.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Neb., March 18 .- (Spe cial to The Bee.)-A banquet was the leading social event of last week at this place Silvia camp No. 797, Modern Woodmen of America, was the host and did the honors of the affair in a manner befitting the occasion. About 200 guests were present, and an excellent literary program was produced, after which an elegant supper was spread. Spring election matters are beginning to be active and there will probably be two tickets, license and anti-license, in the field. At a meeting held last evening a resolution was introduced, which provided that the board elected should be guided in the matter by a majority of the votes cast for or against license. It was voted down by a vote of two to one. A ticket was nominated at this meeting which is believed to be unanimously in favor of license. It is understood that an anti-license ticket will be put Jack Davis, formerly of Omaha,

headed a combination of athletes of more or less ability which gave a boxing and wrestling exhibition here Thursday evening.

The Boone County Teachers association meeting held here last week was a complete success, in spite of disagreeable weather.

T. O. Stephens of Denver, president of the Cedar Valley bank, is here looking after

his interests Falls City Masons Entertain. FALLS CITY, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The Masonic fraternity of this city recently improved its commodious hall with costly furnishing. To properly commemorate this event invitations were sent out to about 500 people for Priday evening. out to about 500 people for Friday evening.
They all responded. Toasts were responded
to by Past Master J. R. Cain, Judge Reavis,
Hon, R. A. Wherry, Rev. W. A. Biggert of
this city and E. W. Lanson of Stella. Mrs.
R. A. Wherry responded on behalf of the
Eastern Star. Mrs. Lease received attention from several of the speakers. After the ban-quet the guests repaired to Jenne's opera use, where dancing was participated in by

those inclined. Lawrence Brevities. LAWRENCE, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-A. H. Bowman and wife went to Nelson last evening to attend the Knights of Pythias banquet

John Wiebeier, J. Hepier and John Shaw each buried an infant child last week. Elder Johnson of Fairfield is holding re-vival services in the Baptist church. Rev. Mr. Perry narrowly escaped poisoning a few days ago. He drank some ammonia and was only saved by prompt use of an

Fairbury's Building Boom. FAIRBURY, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-Martin Ocoter of this place has made a proposition to furnish 100 feet front of ground on D street and take stock in a later I hew botel, to cost at least \$30,000. The alarm

balance of the stock required will undoubtedly be raised in a few days and the work

The stakes were set yesterday for the new Odd Fellows building on the corner of E and Sixth street, and work on the excavation for the basement will commence Monday. The building will be 48x92 feet, with two storerooms on the ground floor and lodge rooms in the second story.

D. C. Earl, a local sheep feeder, shipped 600 grade Southdown sheep to the Liverpool market yesterday. They were ten months old and averaged 150 pounds in weight. After a trial lesting two days William Stewart was fined \$5 and costs for appropriating a neighbor's chickens.

Anburn Personal Mention. AUBURN, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-Dr. Glasgow of South Omaha is

attending court here. J. E. Thomas and wife are in Chicago. Elie Wood and family and J. H. Taylor and family departed Sunday for Elkeno, Okl. o make their future homes. Rev. A. T. Wood, father of D. J. Wood, died Sunday last at Omaha. Father Wood, as he was familiarly known here, leaves many

Mrs. Dr. E. T. Black and son of Cook are

visiting relatives in this vicinity.

District court convened Tuesday for a two reeks slege, with Hon. Judge Burk on the

varm friends to mourn his demise

Accused of Criminal Assault SEWARD, Neb., March 18 .- (Special The Bee.)-Hugh R. Fullerton is in jail in default of \$1,000 bonds on the charge of riminal assault. The crime is alleged to have been committed upon the person of Maude Robbins, a girl 14 years old, and the warrant for his arrest was sworn out by her mother, who is now the wife of Fuller-His preliminary hearing took place be fore County Judge Hiller.

Chadron Athletic Club Exhibits. CHADRON, Neb., March 17 .- (Special to The Bee. The Chadron Academy Athletic club gave at the rink opera house last evening a most enjoyable entertainment, consisting of various forms of athletic exercises interspersed with songs and recitations. The feats of Clyde Rosseter, together with Rad Randall were especially worthy of

Clay Center A. O. U. W. Entertains. CLAY CENTER, Neb., March 18 .- (Spe cial to The Bee.)-Clay Center lodge No. 75 Ancient Order of United Workmen, gave ts anniversary social last night at Union hall. The attendance, which was confined to members and their families, filled the rooms. The banquet, which closed the entertainment, was one of the finest ever prepared.

AMUSEMENTS.

Primrose & West's Minstrels. Primrose & West's minstrels played to a fair audience last evening at Boyd's, but the performance was hardly up to the standard which these blackface artists erected years ago. Minstrelsy is deteriorating, the changed conditions of amusements working considerably against the continuance of this class of entertainment, which was at its zenith shortly after the close of the war. Farce and comedy-drama have been pushing the burnt cork followers out into the cold world, and yet they seemingly do not recognize that the ovations accorded the San Fran-cisco minstrels and their contemporaries are but memories of the past. Try as the minstrel will, he cannot stem the tide which flows toward a different order of amusements than that provided by Lew Benedict, School-

eraft, Loftus, Dixey, 'way back in the 70's. Primrose & West are not giving as strong a performance as last season, even George Primrose being out of the cast last night, owing to ill health. The olio is not as entertaining, although there are a number of bright people with the company. Van does a clever bit in the second edition of premiers, while James Wall gave several the audience. Lew Randall is undoubtedly the greatest buck dancer before the footlights, and he created quite an impression last night. Morris Cronin, who is unrivalled as an Indian club specialist, is not with the company, his place being taken by Henry Bryan, who is an amateur alongside the artistic Cronin. The dancing was excellent. ne of the "gags" funny, but there were a lecidedly large number of jokes that had their birth with the book of Genesis, which in these days of Puck, Judge, Life, the Summerville Journal, are hardly permissible, much less to be expected. Mr. W. H. Windom has a phenomenal alto voice, which was heard to advantage in "The Fatal Wedding," sung with splendid effect. The first part is well set, but the performance lacked the en-thusiasm one looks for in a ministrel show.

"The White Squadron." Patriotism is at its flood tide in "The White Squadron," which opened yesterday at the Fifteenth Street theater, playing to large houses, matinee and night. Coming as it does so closely upon the termination of the rebellion in Brazil, "The White Squadron" touches a popular chord, and the finely set pictures, which are so large a part of the performance, were received with favor The scenes of the play are laid in the country which has played so important a factor in the press dispatches for the last two months, the country of da Gama and Peixoto, Brazil, which is particularly rich in coloring and environment, and deals with the doings of the banditti and other features of life in the city and mountains. Incidental to the performance a glimpse of the white squadron is given, which never fails to arouse an audience to a high pitch of en-

Although the play has considerable of claptrap, it touches the popular heart and is one of the biggest melodramatic successes entour. Mr. Whitecar plays Victor Staunion with considerable force, although he lacks the finish of Robert Hillard, who played the role last season. Yet he is much more melo-dramatic than his predecessor and in consequence pleases those assisting in front. The Brazilians, de Romacio and Silvero, are well cast, Frederick Julian and John T. Burke being interesting in characters that are not models of honeaty and probity. Santos, the Moorish slave, is played by an old Omaha boy, William Bittner, and in a manner that leaves little to be desired. He looks the part perfectly and he reads with intelligen His reception last night as he entered, voked to a large mouse-colored bovine, amounted almost to an ovation and the flowers he received showed how much he was appreciated by his friends here. The comedy element is in fairly good hands, George F. Hall making a good deal of the newspaper man, who is unlike the real article, as is generally seen on the stage. Miss Gall Forrest as Onesta was a most charming heroine, playing with tact and judgment. The others of the cast are acceptable, while the play is splendidly

Yesterday afternoon's performance came within an ace of not being given, the work-ing force of the company having missed the train out of Sioux City early this morning. When Manager Combs discovered that four of his stage hands were missing he imme-diately wired the railroad people at Sioux City to run a special engine to Omaha for the benefit of the missing men, and by this means, which cost quite a nice roll of bills, the stage workers arrived in Omaha at 4 o'clock, whereas they would not have ar-rived had they waited for the regular train until late last night. Manager Combs rather than disappoint the audience worked the play with the assistance of the hands of the theater, ringing up at 2:40. Had Mr. Comba been unable to put the scenery to-gether the matinee would not have been

YOUNG LADY COMMITS SUICIDE.

New York Office Girl Puts a Bullet Through

Her Brain. NEW YORK, March 18.—Martha J. Fuller, typewritist in the law office of William H. Mullan in Nassau street, was found lead in the office last night, shot through the head, and on the floor a revolver with one built missing. Joseph L. Mage, a

one builet missing. Joseph L. Mage, a young lawyer associated with Mr. Mullan, was in the office when the shot was fired and gave the alarm. He was placed under arrest pending an investigation. Suicide is the theory advanced in explanation of the affair.
Mage's statement made later in the evening confirms the suicide theory. He saidhe and Miss Fuller had been detained at
the office with a legal document, and when
it was finished he left the room. A moment
ater he heard the pistol shot and gave the

Referee George Siler Announces His Decision After Quiet is Restored.

WEIR WAS OUT IN THE THIRD ROUND

His Timekeeper Says it Was Longer Than Ten Seconds Before the Foxy Ike Opened His Eyes After the Last Stiff Punch.

CHICAGO, March 18 .- (Special Telegram to The Bee.)-Referee George Siler was confused when the police broke up the Griffo-Weir limited round glove contest at the Second Regiment armory last night. Before he went into the ring he was ordered by the managers to give a decision, as a large number of bets hinged on the result. Wher third round the referee, after he had counted hree, was interrupted by the pounding of Inspector Shea's walking stick. He thus lost track of the time, but the timers were by no means idle. Before a decision was reached Solly Smith rushed into the ring nd picked up his principal. Weir's timer, Malachi Hogan, said that his man was out for ten seconds, which lost him the fight anyway. The crowd was wild with excite ment, and a score of men were crazy for a decision. The referee could decide in but one way, and that was to give the contest to Griffo, who had honestly earned the decision A great many thought that Weir was playing foxy, hoping for the police to interfere so that he would earn some easy money on a draw. In this he was disappointed.

Jim Hall, the Australian pugilist, arrived

In the city today to arrange a limited round glove contest with an unknown. Who the man is he refuses for the present to divulge. on as Jim can settle the preliminaries he will unmask his unknown. Challenge to Amateurs.

Mr. Robert Nicholas of the Omaha Young Men's Christian association claims to be the best all-around amateur athlete of the state, and during the spring will contest with any amateur in good standing in the following vents for a gold medal:

1. Fifty to seventy-five yards dash, 2. Pole vaulting. 3. Throwing 16-pound hammer. Putting 16-pound shot.
 Running hop, step and jump.

6. High jump.

No Decision Given. NEW YORK, March 18 .- The Columbian Athletic club boxing tournament was held at Grand Central palace last night. The principal event was the bout between Billy Verof Haverstraw and Billy Ernest of Brooklyn. A police inspector was present and refused to allow the referee to give a de cision after the men had fought four rounds Ernest swung his victous right twice only during the bout, but failed to land on an effective spot. Ernest had slightly the best of the battle.

Billy Lewis Beaten. EL PASO, Tex., March 18.-One of the hardest fights that ever took place in the west was fought today between Australian Billy Smith and Billy Lewis of Butte. The fight was for \$500. Smith weighed in at 152 and Lewis at 145. Lewis was knocked out in fourteen rounds. Kansas City's Racing Program.

KANSAS CITY, March 18 .- The Exposition Driving park has just published its program for the summer meeting. It announces that races will begin June 20 and continue for thirty days and that \$1,000 to \$1,750 will be given daily in purses.

New Running Broad Jump Mark. BETHLEHEM, Pa., March 18 .- The university record for running broad jump was broken in the gymnasium yesterday after-noon at the meeting of the athletic asso-ciation by B. F. Schomberg, who jumped nineteen feet one inch.

Richard After Slavin-LONDON, March 18.-Jack Richard will fight Jack Slavin at 144 pounds for \$1,000 a side or the largest purse. This is in reply to Slavin's challenge cabled from New

BRANCHING OUT

Nebraska Towns Preparing to Increase Themselves This Summer FULLERTON, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The city council has submitted a proposition to the legal voters of the city to ssue bonds to the amount of \$13,000 to establish a system of water works for the city. The proposition will be voted upon at the regular annual city election in April. There seems to be no opposition whatever to

the proposed scheme HUMPHREY, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)-The city will vote bonds for water works and possibly an electric light plant turing the next two months.

HASTINGS, March 18.—(Special to The Bee.)—The Board of Education of the city of Hastings has prepared a statement to be given to the public, giving the reasons for asking that enough signatures be attached to petitions circulated for the purpose to secure the submission to the voters of a proposition to bond the district for \$35,000 for a new school building.

WILBER, Neb., March 18.—(Special to The Bee.)—A petition signed by eighty citizens is now on file with the village clerk asking for the calling of a special election for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing bonds in the amount of \$15,000 in the village of Wilber for the construction of a system

of water works SCRIBNER, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)—This is one of the prosperous towns where business is good, being situated on the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railway, twenty-five miles northwest from Fremont, in the northern part of Dodge county, one of the most productive Business is in a flourishing in Nebraska. condition, notwithstanding the hard times. Grain has been relling in nearly all winter at the rate of 5,000 bushels per day, cattle and hogs are being marketed in great num-bers and the business houses are rushed with trade. There are three large elevators wned by John M. Diels, Crowell Lumber and Grain company and Marquardt & Groteke, G. J. Milligan, Drucker company, S. E. Street and F. A. Huston represent the four general merchandise stores in town, the first mentioned occupying a twomentioned occupying a twoan J.

story brick, 100x80, filled with estimated stock of \$30,000. G. stock of \$30,000. G. also drais extensively Milligan agricultural machinery, in competition with Schnack & Suhr and Soloman Spangler, W. B. Gardanier and W. Eidam are the owners of the two large hardware stores. The two drug stores are in charge of A. Lednicky and Heibenthal & Preiss. The town is anti-temperance, with four saloons, two banks—Scribner State and the Merchants and Parmers—one furniture store, with Alet Ross as proprietor; two harness shops, one newspaper—the News—three blacksmiths and the face of man kept clean by Lee M. Whitman and A. L. Robertson, the barbars. There are two hotels, the Windsor and the Clifton. Religion is represented by three fine church edifices—Methodists with Rev. J. F. Crooks, officiating ministers Congregational, Rev. M. B. Harrison, as sedled pastor, and German Lutheran, without a regular pastor. The Masons, Knights of Pythias and Ancient Order of United Workmen have flourishing lodges. The surrounding country is peopled mostly with Germans, a very thrifty class and very prosperous. They have fine farms and are a source of wealth to this

are expected to be quite extensive, work having already begun on the large flour mill owned by John M. Diels. The old mill is being torn down and a new one built with all the latest improved mill machinery. which, when completed, will be one of the nest mills in the state.

The Farmers and Merchants bank will

commence in two or three weeks the erec-tion of a fine brick block for the use of the bank, the quarters now occupied in the Milligan block being too small.

The railway company is laying in an immense supply of bridge timber and other material in the yards here. It is also ru-

GAVE THE FIGHT TO GRIFFO | mored it will demolish the old depot and put

The resident part of the town has made The resident part of the town has made great improvements the last four years, The residences of John Romberg and D. Holotein would be a credit to a town four times the size of this one. John Shulz has just finished a fine two-story \$5,000 restdence. We have a fine brick school house, with a corps of five teachers, headed by Prof. L. A. Williams, principal; Miss Carrie Haggard, grammar; Miss W. E. Royce, Interrediate; Miss Miles, second primary, and Miss Bender, first primary. The town is in-corporated with a board of trustees; has an organized fire department, with a system of water works, two fire engines and hook and laider; has telephone communication with Omaha to Norfolk. The next move will be a system of electric lights. The future prosects for this town are very bright.

CRAWFORD, Neb., March 18 .- (Special to The Bee.)—The contract has been let to A. V. Harris of Whitney, Neb., to construct s ditch six miles in length, tapping White river at a point about two miles below rawford, re-entering at a point eight miles below. The contract calls for the comple-ion of the ditch in sixty days. The operaion of this little system will test the quality of our soil under the influence of It is estimated that no less than 500 acres can be irrigated from the main itch. Ten men whose land can be thus enefited are building this ditch, and the ditch. cost to each man is to be governed by the number of acres that he can irrigate.

MURDER AND SUICIDE IN CHURCH.

California Woman Shot While at Mass by Her Husband, Who Kills Himself. OAKLAND, Cal., March 18 .- John Brady shot and killed Mary Brady and then committed suicide this morning in the Church of the Immaculate Conception in this city Brady and his wife had been separated about two years. This morning Mrs. Brady went to mass arriving after the services had commenced. Brady entered took a seat behind her. Suc Suddenly took a seat behind her. Suddenly Brady drew a pistol, and, placing the weapon at the back of his wife's head, drew the trigger. The woman was killed instantly. Then Brady placed the pistol to his forehead and blew out his brains. Brady was about 45 years old, and his wife the same. They were once well-to-do. Since their domestic trouble Brady has been out of work much of the time.

Arrested for Larceny. Annie Potac was arrested last night by Detectives Hayes and Hudson, charges with larceny. Last May she took a watch, with larceny. Last May she took a watch, it is claimed, from the dresser of a girl in the employ of a Mrs. Rothschild, who was then keeping a boarding house in this city. Detectives Dunn and Donahue arrested yesterday a man known as "One-Arm George." He is suspected of having committed recently a number of robberies in Omaha Heights addition. The police say he is wanted at York for theft.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The flood at Miles City, Mont., result of Tongue river overflowing, has subsided. Earthquake shocks have greatly excited the people on the isthmus of Tehuantepec. Bill Nye has announced that his health demands that he leave the lecture plat-

The sixtieth anniversary of the Congresional Temperance society was celebrated by a public platform meeting.

Liabilities of Isaac Prouty & Co., shoe anufacturers of Spencer, Mass., amount to \$700,000, with assets about the same. Of the diamonds stolen from the Pacific Express company by the Duval gang in Texas, \$1,000 worth have been recovered. Miscreants piled ties on the Big Four tracks near Sidney, O., Saturday. An ex-press train narrowly escaped being wrecked Annie Pixley's husband, Robert Fulford has compromised with her relatives, and the expected suit over the property of the dead actress is off.

At the inquest held at Troy, N. Y., four persons positively identified "Bat" Shea as the man who fired the shot that killed Robert Ross on election day. J. C. McCourt, late local freight agent for the Louisville & Nashville at Cincinnati, was convicted Saturday of embezzling \$3,000.

The Irish National Federation council at York has announced its readiness to contribute to the home rule movement as epresented by the present Irish party.

He is \$48,000 short in his accounts.

The Kansas wheat crop is in excellent condition. A few unfavorable reports have come from the southwest, but generally they are very encouraging. The farmers have commenced to plow for spring crops. Captain Eaton of the British steamer May Smith says he applied in vain for water to the commander of the British manof-war Sirius in Rio harbor. He then asked Admiral Benham and was promptly supplied. The rumor circulated in Chicago that Governor Waite had been assassinated was wholly unfounded. The governor passed the evening surrounded by friends at his Doug-

las Place residence, and retired early for the Fire at Eldora, Ia., destroyed the stores of F. A. Norris, books and notions; Carter & Shakers, agricultural implements; Mrs. E. G. Copp, dry goods, and A. C. Harris, gro-cery. The losses will aggregate \$20,000

partly insured. Negotiations between the Atchison and outhern Pacific roads are progressing. The united efforts of Wichita court offidals were necessary to prevent S. W. Smith, who had been convicted of disturbing the peace and fined \$500, from taking rough on rats.

At Pueblo, Andrew L. Cullings, aged 80 years, was found dead on the floor of the bath room at his residence today. A charge from a shotgun had entered under his chi and blown the top of his head off. The The family ascribe the tragic occurrence to an accident.

Ten miles west of Alma, Kan., three masked men, in an attempt to rob Peter Muhlenbacher, shot and killed the latter and badly wounded Lewis Shepper, a school teacher who lived there. After being wounded Shepper shot at the fleeing rob-bers, wounding one of them, but all three

The d'Oyly Carte Opera company, which is to perform Gilbert and Sullivan's new opera, "Utopia, Limited," in New York March 26, were allowed to land notwithstanding the protest of the Chorus Singers association Commissioner McSweeney said that under the law they were artists, as they had per-formed at the Savoy theater, London.

A delegation of sixty unemployed workingmen, who have been at San Antonio, Tex., for the past several months, subsisting on the charity of the relief socity, left last night for Los Angeles, Cal., to join the industrial army and participate in the march upon Washington. These will be followed in a few days by another large delegation from that place.

The Kansas state veterinary surgeon has en called to Burlingame, in Oswego county, to investigate a strange disease which has proken out among the cattle of that section The disease starts in the hoof of the animal creating irritation. The entire leg soon be-comes affected, the animal goes frantic, gnawing at the parts continually. Death re sults in a few days.

At St. Joseph Fritz Gigginger, a saloon man, was walking with some of his friends when one of them, in response to a remark he made, said, "Oh, go and kill yourself." Gigginger looked at him a moment and then left the party. A few moments later is shot was heard in one of the rooms above his saloon and when the crowd burst in the they found Gigginger lying dead on the He had put a bullet into his right temple, blowing off the top of his head

THE MARVEL OF THE COUNTRY

Electrical Progress in the United States Viewed by a Foreign Critic.

THE TELEPHONE A BUSINESS NECESSITY

Comparative Cost to Subscribers in Europe and America-A Group of Instructive Facts-Doings in the Electrical Field.

criticism bestowed by W. H. Preece on Amer-

ican electrical progress, when describing to

his professional brethren in England his visit to this country last summer. Mr. Preece is known everywhere as the electrical head of the postal telegraph service in England, and is personally well known to a large number of electrical engineers in this country. In speaking of telephone development he says: "The telephone in the Inited States is essential to the business man, and its price is compared with that of an office boy. Labor in the states is expensive, and an office boy costs more than a telephone subscription. The present generation in America has grown up with the tele-phone. It has become a factor of business and absolutely essential to the transaction of that business. Every new office must have it. I find a group of highly educated, clever young electricians being engaged and ncouraged by the telephone companies New blood is being introduced, and great zeal and activity is shown." One needs to have experience of the English telephone service, which is miserably limited—extending to a few cities only—and exaspera-ting in character, to appreciate how forcible must have been the impression upon which surprised at the progress we have made in storage batteries. "The accumul America has been a failure for "The accumulator in lighting, and a very strong prejudice exists against its use. It has led to much litigation and the best forms seem little known

ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

The progress made in the establishmen

of electric railways is the most wonderful instance of growth of electric industry ob-servable in the states. In 1884 I found only one railroad so worked, and that experimentally, at Cleveland. Now every town has its electric railway. There are 4,000 miles of lines so worked, 6,900 motor cars and 4,000 trailing cars. The capital embarket is \$13,000,000, and the rate of progress I scarcely checked by the serious financial depression that has passed over the country. But Mr. Preece does not like the trolley He continues: "The feeling is pretty preva lent in the States that the conductors eventually go under ground. Experiments in this direction are being made in several places, notably in Washington and Chicago The trolley, with its guard wires, is really an abomination, and the disturbances created by insufficient return accommodation are annoying the telegraph and telephor interests and alarming the gas and water companies. The future working must be metallic circuits and underground conduits Ii is so done in Buda-Pesth, and it has been partially done in Blackpool and in Rome Other experiments are contemplated in Eng land. No one can doubt that the future of electric railways is very bright. The South London railway and the Mersey Dock Ele vated railway are examples of great suc cesses in England, but it is in the States, where this form of locomotion has become a necessity, that we are sure to see a speedy and practical solution of the problem." In expressing his dislike for the trolley Mr. Preece echoes the general feeling in England. The English will not have it even as a makeshift, and there are only two trolley lines in the whole of the country.

TELEPHONE CHARGES. Mr. Preece made an extended investigation of telephone charges in this country and pre sents the result, coupled with foreign tariffs,

as follows: The rates or rentals demanded from the various subscribers differ very much in the states. At Buffalo they charge a toll rate on each talk; they do not demand an annual rental; they simply demand a minimum amount of husiness per annum. The rate i Buffalo is 10 cents for five minutes' and they have adopted a system of charging one-fifth of this rate for each extra min ute beyond the five. The rate in San Francisco is a small annual rental for each in stallation, and 5 cents for each talk. somewhat similar plan is in use in Milwaukee. But, with these three exceptions, the states, and at every other exchange an an-nual rental is demanded. The American Bell Telephone company is now considering the advisability of limiting the time for talks to three minutes instead of five, mak ing additional charges for each minute or rata, and of considering a fraction of thre minutes as equivalent to the whole time give, in tabular form, the yearly rental

charged in twenty-five of the chief cities of the states. Residence wires, circuit \$150 \$180 125 125 120 130 ... 100 New York Chicago Philadelphia ... Brooklyn St. Louis Boston 100 120 123 119 134 78 90 160 100 100 •60 72 90 60,80 10 . 156 160 . 120 160 100 72 90 72 100 Toll uffalo ew Orleans .. 72 60 Minneapolis
Jersey City...
Louisville
Kansas City...
Omaha
St. Paul

Providence ... 120 60 100 43

*Also "toll" of 5 cents per conversation.
Hinstallation charge, \$70 for first 500 messages, 'Rates cover installation and yearly business of 1,000 messages; \$10 is charged for each additional 500 messages. Note.-Where two rates are given in same column against an exchange they represent different kinds of instruments fur mished. In many cases single-wire rate nished. In many cases single-wire rat are no longer quoted for new subscribers.

THE RATES VARY. The rates vary, and are, as will have been seen, very high, but although the enterpris is in the hands of private companies, it mus be noted that they have great difficulties to contend with. In a place like New York the rents and the cost of buildings is excessive. In one small exchange they pay n less than \$7,000 a year rental for one floor Taxes everywhere are enormous. Not only are they taxed by the state, but they are are they taxed by the state, but they are taxed by the municipalities. Way-leaves are excessive. In New York alone they have to pay to the company controlling the underground conduits no less than \$80,000 per annum way-leave \$8 per renter for way-leave alone. The distances, too, that way-leave alone. The distances, too, that they have to carry their underground system in New York, in Philadelphia and in other places are very considerable. They have been forced by municipal action to go under ground. In the face of these restrictions no comparison between rentals in New York and those paid in this country can be made and those paid in this country can be The amount of the average rental in Londo gearcely exceeds f15 per annum. The average amount of rental throughout the country our postoffice system is 19 10s., but it New York subscribers have to pay up to 150 per annum. I have drawn up, with the assistance of the American Bell Telephone company, a comparative statement, showing the ratio between the subscribers and the

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population in twenty-four principal cities of

ansas City.

POPULATION AND SUBSCRIBERS Twenty-four Cities, New York. Much interest attaches to the friendly

> *Does not include express subscribers, express, 72 inhabitants. It will be seen how very much these places vary. In Providence, for instance, with a population of 132,146, we find one subscriber to each forty-five persons, while in Philadelphia there is one to every 289 only. In ten of the principal towns of our own country the results are given as follows:

161,129 157,084 140,452

133, 156 132, 146

2,943

RATES IN FOREIGN CITIES.

Telephone rates per year in America and Surope are thus compared by the Boston Commercial Bulletin: New York. \$125 to \$240 Berlin...... Boston..... 172 to 189 Vienna...... Chicago.... 125 to 175 Paris..... Philadel'ia. 120 to 160 Geneva..... Vienna

Ex-Congressman Townesend WEST CHESTER, Pa., March 18 .- Ex-Congressman Washington Townesend died at his residence here this afternoon of paralysis of the brain, aged 82. He was elected to congress from this district in 1868 after a bitter fight, in which the present minister to Italy. Wayne McVeagh, was his opponent, and served eight years.

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Rev. J. Merritte Driver, D. D. Is widely known as paster of the First M. P. Church at Columbia City, Indiana, and is a powerful pulpit orator. His book, "Samson and Shylock, or a Preacher's Plea for the Workingman," has received much praise from press and clergy. Dr. Driver says:

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